Washington Garden Club AFGC Fall Report for 2025

Members: Currently at 20 members

Theme: "Get Back to Nature"

Monthly Features:

Horticulture Highlight

Conservation Conversation

Garden Show & Tell

Practical Gardening with the colors of the rainbow, a featured color each month

Garden Related Silent Auction

New Project: Conservation Challenge participation

Continuing Projects: Arbor Day Tree Planting, AZ Veterans Home, ChildHelp of Arizona, Heifer International, Horticulture for Youth, Plant A Tree, St Mary's Food Bank, Valley Garden Center.

Community Service: We are working with ChildHelp of Arizona to install a Sensory Garden to be used for therapy with traumatized children. Tree Planting at schools. Compost Awareness and Earth Day.

Field Trips: Boyce Thompson Arboretum, Desert Botanical Gardens, Nursery Crawl and Childhelp Facility

Planned Programs: Citrus & Stone fruit varieties, selection, planting and care. Movie Night "Regenerative Soil – Common Ground", and Farm Bureau on the importance of Buying Local. Annual Christmas Party & potluck with garden related gift exchange, games and prizes. Brain Health with Dr. Jenna Dye. Herbal Tea Making with Native Plants and their benefits. Propagation of Houseplants and Succulents with Kelly Depetro, Terrarium Workshop and Garden Share.

Respectfully submitted,

~Dana Benoit President Washington Garden Club

